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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF AUGUST 18, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action bearing a mailing date of August 18, 2003,  
hereinafter, "the Office Action", Applicants respectfully submit the following amendment  
and remarks. This Response is accompanied by a Petition to Revive.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page  
5 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.